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HICHINORI NAKAMURA, after having been duly sworn, testified on the United States FS 319 on route from Makassar to Manado in the Strait of Makassar, on 26 April, 1946, as follows:

STATEMENT OF COLONEL MICHINORI NAKAMURA:

I have spoken with my counsel, Mr. Yukio YOSHIKAWA and Mr. Hasumi TAKAHASHI, who are both present here now, and I desire to make a statement concerning the execution of five Americans at Singkang. The reason for this statement is that I have always followed the law and that my name Michinori means "acquainted with the rules". I also am desirous of saving you from any further trouble because I had made up my mind to tell the truth either after I have spoken to Major ODAMURA, Toshitake or upon the trial in Manila.

QUUSTIONS BY LT. FORKOSCH:

Will you tell me in chronological order everything you know concerning such execution?

I returned to Singkang about July 23, 1945 from an inspection trip. Then I returned I again had Hajor ODALURA see Lt. Colonel ISHIRO, Shigeru who was on the staff of Lt. General TESHIMA, for the purpose of having the five American fliers removed from the Kempei Tai jail to the Second Army jurisdiction. I had been attempting to have those Americans so removed ever since I arrived at Singkang in June. My reason for desiring this transfer of the American prisoners was that they interfered with the Kempei Tai questioning of natives as well as the duties of the Kempei Tai because guards had to be supplied for the Americans. I also felt that these were Second Army prisoners and therefore should be kept by the Second Army. After my return on July 23, I again sent Hajor ODAMURA to see Lt. Colonel ISHIRO about this transfer, but the first time I sent him he reported that he had seen someone else on the staff because ISHIRO was away. I then sent ODAMURA a second time to see ISHIRO. I do not know the exact date of the second time ODAMURA returned to me that same day and reported to me, and that three days later the execution was held, and I believe such execution was held in the very last two or three days of July, 1945.

When ODAMURA returned to me after his second attempt to see ISHIRO, he, ODAMURA, told me that he had had a conversation with ISHIRO. ODAMURA said

that ISHIRO had suggested to him that the Kempei Tai dispose of the Americans. Since in my opinion such a sug estion was an order, I ordered ODALURA to execute the Alericans. I do not recall whether I told ODALURA to prepare plans for such execution or whether ODAL URA thereafter brought such plans to me for approval. At that time ODATURA told me that the execution would be held back of the Leper Hospital and he told me the date and time at which it would be conducted. I do not remember the exact date. It has been so long ago that I have forgetten whether ODALURA gave me a written plan or whether it was verbal. The details of this plan are rather hazy in my mind. I did not spend too much time reviewing the plan of ODATURA, because I felt that as commander of the Scuthern Celebes Kempei Tai he knew what his duties were. I do remember that about three days afterwards I get up at about six o'clock and left the Kenpei Tai quarters with ODALTURA and Lieutenant KAMISUKI, Kotaro in company with about eight or twelve I do not remember the names or features of any of the others except that I retall Warrant Officer MATSUMOTO, Kunio and Sergeant OKAZAKI, Kazuaki. We went along the road to Watampone until we passed the Second Arry jail. We then turned left and cut across the field until we arrived at the place of execution. This was a small clearing surrounded by trees and bushes. There was one very large tree at one extreme end of the clearing and at the other end of the clearing were two smaller trees. A grave had been dug between these trees in such clearing. ODATURA, KAMISUKI and I went to one end of the clearing where the two small trees were. The Americans were kept at the large tree and were there blindfolded. It was becoming lighter at that time although it was still fairly dark. I remember that one American after another was brought up to the grave from the tree, placed in a kneeling position and then executed. I saw each American executed but I cannot remember who executed these Americans. I do not remember the names of the executioners nor do I remember their features. If I saw them now I don't think I would remember them.

It rained a little during the execution and I remember that someone handed me a raincoat. I did not bring such raincoat with me. I was drossed in my usual uniform but I don't believe I carried a sword. After the execution KAMISUKI and I walked back to the Kempei Tai headquarters. I don't believe ODAMURA returned with us. When we arrived at the Kempei Tai I did not go into the office but went to my hut because I had not enten breakfast.

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- A I did.
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 We did not although I believe that he knew about the execution.
- Q Why do you say that and upon what facts do you base such statement?
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- Q Is that the only reason why you say that TESHIMA must have known about the execution?
- A Yes.
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- Do you remember when the present group of Americans, of whom I am a member, began this investigation at Mendai?
- A Yes.
- Since we began this investigation at landai did you Q over speak to Lt. KAMISUKI, Kotaro, Shiro SATO, or Tokujiro KATO concerning this execution? Yes but only to KAMISUKI and then he told no that I
- was justified.
- Did you ever order KAMISUKI to warn SATO, KATO, and Q anyone else at the camp not to disclose anything about the execution?
- A Yes.
- What did you tell KATTOUKI to warn these others about? Q I told then to hold out about disclosing any information as long as they possibly could.
- Was there any court martial held of these five American prisoners before the execution? No. There was never any court martial, hearing, trial A or other legal process given to those five Americans. I knew that they could not be executed without a court martial and the Kempei Tai has no power to execute any prisoner without a court martial. The Kempei Tai had no power to execute a prisoner without a court martial or an order from higher authority.]
 - Is your hearing and eye-sight good? Yes, they are perfect.
 - Q Was force, threats, duress, or coercion used in taking this statement from you?
 - Was any promise of reward, irrunity, or consideration Q given as a result of this statement?

Do you have anything further to add to this statement? Yes. Another mason why I felt that TESHIMA must have given approval was because I always told ODALURA that even the natives must have received a court martial or hearing before being executed and if I followed this procedure in the natives I certainly followed it in the Americans' case. Also, while at the execution place, I recall that of the soveral people there I recognized at least two as being soldiers from the Second Army jail although I cannot give you their names nor can I remember them even if they were brought before ne now.

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Q Have you anything further to add to this statement?

(Signed in Japanese characters)

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I, MICHINORI MARATURA, being duly swern on oath, state that I had read to me and understood the translation of the foregoing transcription of my interrogation, and all answers contained therein, consisting of four (4) pages, are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Signed in Japanese characters)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28 day of April 1946.

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陈里大在,由村后到了一样说。 我一种 禁養人 其一幸 提及及一点 有 里水道 及一次日本人名 立の mm 以下に発送して指がアントラグラグ。ソー 個人 トル、グローニ rufter レス、ドサニンンセンルなトライルレメニセへ、発生、して、特に 中、道べきトー田ベックス。コー陳道と教ス理田、私い古事には地。 後以于本人之之以及、私一名之明之事問及三道以下十少十八七四味 かけるいて、私に又コリ以上は様は、年のまでかりかりとうする人は心となる トイノ・いないい田村利は少任三話らり後か、良らいアニアンになると 「香理・井」、古事のストリートーを述べてからまべい、ラテキルカステアリーアの

中村温雪 ニードヨバル 日田はたの、しといすずる様にないといます ロコレムナナアへ発作せ、レンメンとはII·O·M/ ちかろ川が、Hがいしか 村生日上 陈洪文、

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そ初、知るもっかろの、有限、百五をごり、しいいが、、リノ日取り上时到下、和一承認り ボメニ 来らかけらの「日兄王を居りでかっ」とは小田村の、当時小田村を答う動のたけら命令もらっていり、後、山田村が、りとは、一部人道子 処刑 スルタメニア・アット ないしゅん ないしゅん ないしゅん ないかい なけいかい ないかい ないかい ないかい ないかい はくまり 一年度シタト中に、「カリー・アナー・アコート、新一等してうる。 中田村、「気をは、後、山田村の一回日一緒に一会とうから、かい、おけ、大田村、「

いいよりシンセン、私いよ田村-計園ラリンナニは何戸南くで一種べていきそうかだしてうらって計風、詳田三祝さ、私・記憶にて、ディデ・小田村、和・社へ書日面ニョッテ計園「農太シタカ、口覧デない」「面井日前に関エテ係、りでい。リレハモウ、スツトが、コトデ

アンカンドング。コン、南部しかしべいるできばから以下のない く自分一般ないいのような知いてもかいかからからでく かいしかテミロバヤーな、私、部下は国語チャバへの近十八一をラ 「するはしかり田村してり、スキョウタロワ中鮮一米三家子が (百年子出入了一一一日) 八子子でて、村の一川は進生 十日 上川 一川 一日本日の れいいい同れ、花海一、ちゃかや、まちゃんとしかべてしていいましてい。 いか、コンカン生を大人と、田、野原と様はりずれなく、着をでった。 コロハナラタを出げ、樹木とは数、取倒りとき持くでうか。リーで ガーードーがは、一杯一半部ール大きナ大きから、有一路にコアリコルトルナー 大き一本トートリルはない「四年ンー「ちかーリアルー大とした」 マルトニトング、七田午、七、スポーない「日か」、ナナ大かし本トラ 本・湯を食りできるかってメルカ人は違い大木・ないますを振まりとるます。 日できょうすかをすることの本が相当なんしているいい、いいはり いかろうわびはりナリマシタ、谷いっとりと人はなかしくノー大木・打 中下ななしてへははしていかし、リュア本州をフィアのことはランドができる 子での見て子供のマス、松のアメリカ人が一人と、放射サング・子の一下はり マシタが、強なり、一般をナインからは見る下角のひかい。私に発生するか おはいましていきというナイナナラになる、おからいしょりい、からない。 後か、コーヘンにないアトンドも相がしなスローが出来するころします」。

てひかがいか、コンンをかしかつくいかのかは乗から込む、そのなく く自分を養養にはよいのかろうれることかいうからかん。 グリレカラミロバヤー強和、朝下は関記をラベくの立十三一をラ 一方ははしろり田村してけるとってもはし大三家子が 「西をすめとして」のへきするで、なりのは後後年十日は一日日 サハンー同れ、なるましたとうかっていかってしていいましてい。 松本してクロボシンへ下ぬれと遊し、大きとかには大きなかり ラグ、リンガラ和米へ花へ出り節原子標はりまればへををすてるか。 こう、一十ラグを出げ、樹木となる、取団ロファー持してシャッツーで ガーートがは、一大一半年の大き十大かかり、何一路にコンロンといす 大き一本トロウツかは様に一個年ンーであるしてして、大き一位は マテトニトング、中田村下村、スポーかいかのかートナナ大かい本トラ 本一端一様とりできるかってアメリカ人ははい大木、ないころを存まるしてるはら 日からかりまするからなる本が相当なるとしているいい、いいはの いいろうちはかりナリカンタ、谷いっとりと人はサー人ノ大木・竹 カラななしてへははしていかし、リュラボルチットをなってラントのかかしょ 子に「見て子病リアス、松ハアメルカ人が一人くし、致刑ナットノログを居り マシタが、強なり、一般がするアクトから見てき居りてない。私に発展するよ おはいましていいのインナナアランはないいまできしゃしのり、かいく. 世か、コーベルはないとトットか描入りはスローが光米をひらかしころか」、

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- 月間モテをリマスか、小田村かり方後命シテキクロ、祖見王子をリマセンリト問と于をにりて、私八小田村が報告ラシタコトラ後命シテキタニ处刊・コナラ東二軍司令部へ報告シテオクヤワ言とッケターラへったを開展を受けてする、私八田村の研をない、在事務室へ、行のスラ目分、小屋へ解してシタ、ソし、未入町をかまし、続い意大隊司令部へ本ノテにの下の、タト思とて入め、教育を下行の下の、ない、古でて、私へ、とてありた、私へ、アンナ南外被、行ッテキテキトのックト思とって、私へ

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り处却又かつトへ出来ナイノデス。 りこり、憲兵隊、軍法官議内至へ上首ラリー命令ナシュ、保存の た、如何とは管育ナイヘドを处却えい権却ハナイトトフロトラ祝ツテ信軍法令議ナシに处却又はコト、出来ナイン、憲兵隊を軍法令議了経入 ラメリカノ人、打シテ、全然行ハレマセンデンタ、私ハッソラ保存事は、 な、イン、軍法公議や管内や裁判やソー外法律上、手續ハ、ソノ五人

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デナトレバ処部シテハイケナイト云ッテキタカラデ、モン私が原在民ニル 田、、私ハイツモ小田村、、タトへ原住民デモ軍は會議の落回アンク後の答、、、私が上級指揮官が承認すらへのニチがヒナイト思ックモウーリー理は、アナタハラー陳述、対シ何の所と加(いコトがアリフスカ)

中型とき来るしのナンテモ一寸でと出せてするです。 日出シャンシーンへ、名前へで一十かりてアン、そと今私日前こけ、中で、少りしてない方一等大谷町内の事人かしまり見し、からシテキの言でえ、入れか处所はっキしは、、一時、一届合て、一番、「村ンテラーを続きます」、入れか处所は、十十十月、一時、一届合て、一番、

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如部門又信不以限一個下具美工七十八原述人、張子館、同日十七十一部一一部一一部一一四月八十十八八天中二十七年難一切中、自今京、中村通問、正当一回遊了上自分三村又以前門一前近、記錄、號

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補谷部中財職官亦送班間查係財被「ヤトリングノリューケンゴリ」以外、北非問官亦送班間查係財被「ヤトリングノリューケンゴリ」

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